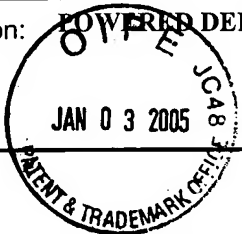
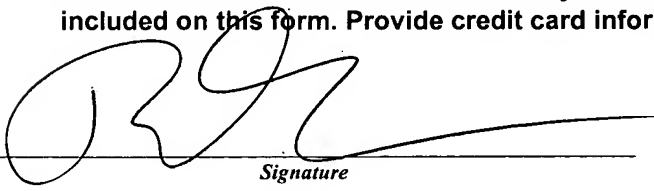






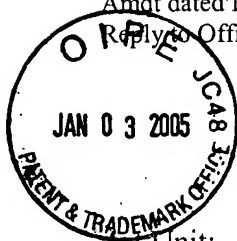


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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated November 03, 2004. Please amend the above-captioned patent application as set forth below.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.